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Mr. Donald Norseth
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Dear Don:

In regards to Pot Creek for the coming irrigation season, I feel that it can be handled with a minimum of expense to the users and time for the Commissioner.

I suggest that a budget be set up to allow for a maximum of ten trips @ \$25.00 per trip salary and mileage and \$50.00 for expense of publishing a Commissioner's Report. A dditional trips will be made upon request providing the user making the request pays the bill by himself.

From what information I can gather, it looks like Pot Creek will have a much better supply of water this year over last year. I would plan to release any water going to lower users just as fast as practically possible and try to avoid the problems we have encountered other years in trying to get water down after it has been held in the Matt Warner for some time.

If you wish I will make an attempt to get into the area just as soon as things start to break. With the warm weather we have enjoyed the last few days it should start to move very soon.

A work about Ashley Creek and Brush Creek. At the present time I have been appointed Commissioner for both streams. However, I do not plan to spend much time on Brush Creek as I will have plenty to do on Ashley. We are setting up a central office for the Ashley Upper, Ashley Central, Highline canals and the Ashley Valley Reservoir Co. This will, if it works out, give me a year around job. I will take care of distribution and supervise the office personell during the summer or irrigation season and during the winter will take over the office duties. It may blow up but I feel it is worth an honest try. I plan to hire one full time deputy for Brush Creek and give him general supervision and help.

Between you and I, I would have much rather continued under your direction and worked towards the set up we talked about earlier. I want you to know that any changes that were made here were not at my suggestion and I did every thing I could to discourage what was done. I have enjoyed working for you during the past five years and appreciate your help and direction.

Let me know what you want done on Pot Creek. I will be looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely

Dave Rasmussen